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FM AMEMBASSY KABUL

TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 2173

AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD FLASH

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS:

SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF AMBASSADOR DUBS-PRESS GUIDANCE

REF: ISLAMABAD 1862

1. AGREE WITH ISLAMABAD RECOMMENDATION THAT ON WHEN-ASKED BASIS EMBASSY SPOKESMAN GIVE STRAIGHT-FORWARD ACCOUNT OF EVENTS. IF ASKED FOR COMMENT ON AFGHAN AUTHORITIES' HANDLING OF SITUATION, BELIEVE WE SHOULD NOT COMMENT BEYOND STATING THAT IN LIGHT OUR EXPERIENCE WITH OTHER TERRORIST ACTIONS IN PAST, WE HAD STRONGLY URGED THEM REFRAIN FROM ANY PRECIPITATED FORCED ACTION THAT MIGHT ENDANGER LIFE OF AMBASSADOR DUBS.

2. REQUEST GUIDANCE. AMSTUTZ

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